You or a member of your family may have a chance to take part in an important national health survey.

The National Center for Health Statistics, a part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is responsible for this survey—the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. This survey teaches us about the health and diet of people in the United States. Over the years, this survey has led to changes in the foods we eat and the health care we receive.

We invite you to answer a few questions on our secure web site at https://surveys.examsurvey.com.  Please use the user ID and password printed below for online access to the questions.  The purpose of these questions is to help us determine if you or a member of your family will be asked to participate in the survey. Answering the questions is completely voluntary, and you may choose not to answer any questions. I assure you there will be no penalties or loss of benefits of any kind from refusing to answer.

In the next few weeks, one of our health representatives will visit your home. She or he will show you official Centers for Disease Control (CDC) identification and ask some short, easy questions about you and other family members. This interview will take only a few minutes of your time.  If you completed the online questions, the health representative will review this information with you.

If you or other household members are chosen, we hope you will participate in the survey. You will be among the many people in towns and cities across the country that help us increase our knowledge about the health of people in the United States.

This survey is a Federal program authorized by the Public Health Service Act. All of your answers will be kept in strict confidence. We will use this information only for statistical research and reports. Your answers will be added to others, so no one can identify which are yours.

Thank you in advance for helping.

 Sincerely,

Charles J. Rothwell

Director

p.s. If you have questions, call Mr. George Zipf of my staff at 1‑800‑452‑6115. The call is free, and we would be happy to answer your questions.

**To see if you or a member of your family is eligible for the survey, please go to https://surveys.examsurvey.com, enter your user ID: XXXXXX and password: XXXXXX and answer a few short questions.**